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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

1. U.S. Patent No. 2002/0147815 A1, issued on October 10, 2002 to Tormasov et al.
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,353,878 B1, issued on March 5, 2002 to Dunham.
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,101,497 A, issued on August 8, 2000 to Ofek.
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,854,754 A, issued on December 29, 1998 to Cabrera et al.

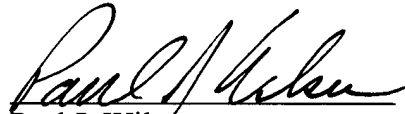
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